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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Aviad HELLMAN, et al.  
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For: Surveillance System with Camera  
Art Unit: Not yet assigned

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington DC 20231

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Further to the concurrent filing of a U.S. national stage application of PCT Application No. PCT/IL00/00239, kindly amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Kindly add the following section immediately after the title on page 1:

**--RELATED APPLICATIONS**

This application is a U.S. national filing of PCT Application No. PCT/IL00/00239, filed April 24, 2000, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.--

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Kindly replace the present claims 4-6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17 and 23-25 with the following claims in clean form:

4.(Amended) A surveillance unit according to claim 1, wherein the control circuitry determines when the digital camera should capture images.

5.(Amended) A surveillance unit according to claim 1, wherein the control circuitry performs the determination responsive to video motion detection (VMD) performed on images captured by the camera.